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Meeting to discuss closure of US 45 and Breezewood Lane interchanges

Details focus on 2011 construction schedule for US 41 Project in Winnebago County

(Green Bay) The Wisconsin Department of Transportation (WisDOT) Northeast Region office in Green Bay is holding a meeting to discuss the construction schedule for the second phase of the US 41 mainline expansion project in Winnebago County between US 45 and Breezewood Lane. The meeting is Wednesday, Feb. 16, 2011 from 5 to 7 p.m. at the Winnebago County Highway Department, 901 West County Road Y, Oshkosh. The meeting is being held as an open house so the public can attend at their convenience during the times listed. A short presentation begins at 5:15 p.m. A business outreach session is from noon to 2 p.m. with a brief presentation at 12:15 p.m.

The project involves widening US 41 from two to three lanes in each direction and includes the reconstruction of the US 45 and Breezewood Lane interchanges. The work is being staged to enhance safety and minimize travel delays. The first phase began in 2010 as temporary pavement was installed along the median and shoulders of US 41 to maintain two traffic lanes in each direction during 2011 construction.

Beginning March 1, 2011 the following work will begin with various projects continuing through June 2012:

- Reconstruct and expand US 41 southbound from two to three lanes, from Lake Butte des Morts to Breezewood Lane. All US 41 traffic will be shifted to the widened northbound lanes (two lanes in each direction) during construction
- Reconstruct the US 45 interchange to provide free-flow movements from US 41 northbound to US 45 northbound and US 45 southbound to US 41 southbound
- Construct US 45 to pass over US 41 (US 41 currently passes over US 45)
- Construct roundabout at interchange ramps west of US 41

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- Reconstruct Breezewood Lane interchange, including overpass, ramps and construction of multi-lane roundabouts at Breezewood Lane intersections at Bergstrom/Gillingham roads and Harrison Street

The US 45 interchange will be closed April 2011 through November 2011 with US 41 traffic detoured to the WIS 76 interchange. Work within the interchange will be ongoing through September 2012. The Breezewood Lane interchange will shut to traffic between Bergstrom/Gillingham roads and Harrison Street in late-March while the overpass is demolished and rebuilt. The interchange will reopen in October 2011. All US 41 northbound lanes between Lake Butte des Morts and Breezewood Lane will be reconstructed in 2012.

The public is encouraged to attend, provide input and ask questions about the project. Construction displays and schedule information will be available.

If you cannot attend the meeting and would like more information, please contact Project Manager Tom Buchholz at 492-0142 or send e-mail to Tom.buchholz@dot.wi.gov. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. Hearing impaired persons needing assistance may call the Wisconsin Telecommunications Relay System (dial 711). To allow time for arranging assistance, please call no later than three working days prior to the meeting.

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